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MBA NEWS and VIEWS

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To our graduating seniors and their parents, we say a heartfelt "thank you" for the multitude of contributions they have made to the life of Montgomery Bell Academy. This class has succeeded in the academic and in the athletic arenas throughout their MBA careers. MBA is a better school because the members of the class of 1980 have walked the paths and contributed significantly to the program.

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ERICKSON LEADS STATE IN UPPER-LEVEL MATH

Jeff Erickson is presently taking Advanced Placement Calculus (BC level), our highest level of mathematics. Jeff happens to be a ninth grader. Recently, he was notified that he placed FIRST in the State in the Math Comprehensive Examinations. Congratulations, Jeff!

FRENCH STUDENTS EXCEL IN STATE CONTEST

MBA is very proud of its French students. In the Tennessee Division of the National French Contest, in French I, Jeff Erickson placed 1st, Thomas Warren-2nd, John Ryu-3rd, John Dale and Andrew McAllister-4th, John Weisiger and Ted Carver-5th. Others placing in the top 10 in French I were Cannon Thomas, Wyatt Wells, and Ridley Wills. In French II, placing 2nd in the State was Page Garrett, 3rd-Mabo Kono, 4th-Steve Anderson and Mark Garfinkel, and in the top 10-Nick Fabian, Kenny Ferrelli, and Andy Watts. French II, 3rd place in the State-Montie Davis, 4th place-Steve Hall, top 10-Marc Chambers, Carlisle Herron, Bobby Khan, and Kevin Drury, and in French IV,2nd place-Josh May, and Mark Smith in the top 10. We congratulate these young men and our French teachers for monopolizing the awards in the State of Tennessee.

CIVITANS RECOGNIZE JIMMY MOORE

Each year the Melrose Civitan Club promotes good citizenship by recognizing an outstanding eighth-grade student in each Davidson County Junior High School. All participants write essays on "Good Citizenship Is...." This year the eighth-grade teachers chose Jimmy Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Moore, to represent MBA. Jimmy is a class officer in his homeroom, holds the rank of Life Scout, participates in farming responsibilities on the family farm, and is conscious of his historical heritage. On Monday evening, May 13, Jimmy and his parents attended a banquet in which the Melrose Club honored every participant by presenting them with a beautifully engraved plaque.

PRESIDENTIAL POLL PORTRAYS POLITICAL POLIPREFERENCE

Mr. Dan Herring asked his thirteen advisees to express their preference among the candidates in the Presidential race. They were also asked to state the reasons for aligning themselves with a particular candidate. Mr. Herring feels that the Juniors are probably no less confused (or divided) politically than we adults are. The results were: Carter--3, Kennedy--3, Reagan--3, Bush--3, Anderson--1.

OUTING CLUB CONTINUES TO FLOAT

Thanks to the excellent instruction of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Jones (Dan's parents) of the Tennessee Scenic River Association, the MBA Outing Club on May 9-11 took a delightful trip down the Hiawassee River in canoes. Mr. Womack and Mr. Beck have worked diligently to get the Outing Club in operation this year. Those students who went on this two-day camping and canoeing trip were Dan Jones, Runcie Clements, Barry Street, Charlie Cox, Aaron Isherwood, Paul Tidwell, Mack Brothers, Rick Sullivan, Bert Chaffin, Sam Houston, Perry Killam, and John Erwin. The Outing Club has had two rafting trips on the Ocoee, back-packing in Fall Creek Falls and in Savage Gulf, skiing in North Carolina, caving in Dunbar Cave in addition to this canoe trip. More activities are scheduled for next year.

MBA-HARPETH HALL FINE ARTS WEEK

The series of happy events during our COMPOSITION: RED AND GREEN week of emphasis on the fine arts with Harpeth Hall would not have been possible without the enthusiastic and active help of a number of mothers. The MBA Fine Arts Committee, magnificently chaired by Mrs. Richard Porter and including Mrs. Jack May, Mrs. Ed Davies, Mrs. Richard Wright and Mrs. John Fields, provided much direction for the events. A reception on the evening of the choral performance and the student art exhibit opening was another Fine Arts Committee project. We thank them for so many successful projects this year. Delicious cookies for the reception came to us through the generosity of Mrs. Eric Groos, Mrs. Robert Reeves, Mrs. James Haley, Mrs. James Fite, Mrs. Robert Graham, Jr., Mrs. Norman Herron, Mrs. John Houdeshell, and Mrs. Don Brothers. Mrs. Ann Thomason provided beautiful and appropriate flower arrangements for the tables.

On Friday, the Junior School students rode in cars to Harpeth Hall, thanks to these mothers who gave three or four hours of additional chauffering time: Mrs. Bill Smith, Mrs. George Wood, Mrs. Joe Saperstein, Mrs. Bob Alley, Mrs. Bobby Frist, Mrs. Robert Reeves, Mrs. Randall Henderson, Mrs. Buddy Caldwell, Mrs. Bill Eason, Mrs. Jimmy Haley, Mrs. Tom Rutkowski, Mrs. John Parker, Mrs. Milton Chamberlain, Mrs. Allen Harrison, Mrs. Bill Westerman, Mrs. French McKnight, Mrs. Nick Fabian, and Mrs. Dwight Hall.

COLLEGE NIGHT STIMULATES CONVERSATION

In an effort to provide students and parents with as much information as possible about colleges, MBA has held annually a college night for Juniors and their parents. Bill Campbell, Al Gooch, and Dick Cashwell, of Vanderbilt, Sewanee, and the University of North Carolina, respectively, gave brief presentations and answered questions about the college admissions process. The evening proved to be quite enlightening and very enjoyable. We wish to thank Kay Beasley, Peggy Brothers, Pat Ford, Helen Sadler, Ann Thomason, Lynda Wagster, Anne Lineberger, and Barbara Tune for bringing delicious cookies for the occasion. Once again, Ann Thomason provided a magnificent floral arrangement.

EAGLE SCOUTS ARE SPECIAL

The discipline, determination, and devotion that go into the achievement of Eagle Rank in Scouting make those who reach this high honor very special people. Our records indicate that the following MBA students are Eagle Scouts: Thompson Brown, Richard Wright, Steve Hall, Don Fairbairn, and Harris Hatcher. We are proud of these young men. If there are others, the office would like to know about them.

DEBATERS WIN STATE TITLE

To have one team in the State finals of any activity is quite an accomplishment. MBA was able to do better than that as the MBA Affirmative Team, composed of George Cate and Joe Calvin, met the MBA Negative Team of Scott Campbell and Scott Greer in an all-MBA State finals. George and Joe won and will represent the State of Tennessee in the Nationals this June. MBA also was the winner of the Lincoln-Douglas One-Man Debate Contest at the District and State levels and will therefore send two winners, Greg Stroup and Walt Sliva, to the Nationals in the One-Man Debate Tournament.

MBA RECEIVES PICTURE

Congressman Robin Beard, MBA Class of 1957, has given to the school a picture of a famous painting of the person for whom the MBA stadium is named, General Frank M. Andrews, MBA Class of 1900. In his presentation to the school, Coach Tommy Owen told the students of General Andrews' many contributions to the MBA community as a scholar and as an athlete. He outlined briefly Andrews' career. The picture will hang in the lobby of the Brownlee O. Currey Gymnasium. A few facts about General Andrews may be interesting to those of you who are not familiar with his accomplishments:

> Lieutenant General Frank M. Andrews - Born February 3, 1884, in Nashville. He quarterbacked the undefeated MBA team of 1900. He entered the United States Military Academy in 1902, graduating in 1906 as a Second Lieutenant of Cavalry, U.S. Army. As a Major in 1920, he transferred to the then infant Air Service of the Army. During the 1920's and '30's, he was prominent in the struggle to gain service recognition of air power. He served as the Commanding General of: General Headquarters Air Force, 1935-1939; Panama Canal Department and Caribbean Defense Command, 1940-1942; United States Army Forces in the Middle East, November 1942-February 1943, and United States Army Forces in the European Theater of Operations, February 1943-May 1943. General Andrews died in an airplane accident in Iceland on May 3, 1943. The Montgomery Bell Academy varsity football field is named in his honor, as is Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland.

ATHLETICS

With 330 High School students, MBA has a truly remarkable athletic record in the highest classification in the State of Tennessee. Competing against comprehensive high schools many times larger, our boys have invariably played well. The win-loss record of varsity teams this year was 103-35, or a 75% winning record. To the school our teams brought four District Championships and four Regional Championships. Two teams were 2nd in their Districts and our Golf team was runner-up in the State Tournament.

Many honors were received by MBA teams and individuals this year. Most significant were: Tom Moore--NIL Most Valuable Player in Football, Tim Warnock--NIL Most Valuable Player in Wrestling, Damon Anagnos--winner of the Scholar-Athlete given by the Football Hall of Fame, Ricky Bowers--ALL NIL in Football, Basketball, and Baseball (Seldom has a student garnered this honor.), Tommy Owen--NIL Football Coach of the Year, John Bennett--NIL Basketball Coach of the Year, Anderson Gaither--Junior High Wrestling Coach of the Year. Congratulations to these individuals as well as all of our teams!

PUETT AND JONES MAKE ALL-STATE

Soccer continues to grow at MBA and two of our players were recognized for their hard work in this growing process. David Puett and Ian Jones were selected to the Third Team All-State in Soccer. Jones was the sixth leading scorer for the league, with 8 goals and 1 assist in 11 games; David Puett sparked the attack and created many scoring chances for Jones. David will graduate and will be sorely missed by the team next year. Ian is a sophomore and will have two more seasons with the BIG RED.

TENNIS NETS MANY VICTORIES

Led by Harold and Danny DeBlanc, Jamie Houdeshell, Murray Hatcher, Andrew Berry, and David Miller, the Tennis team had an excellent season. In the District Tournament, Harold placed 1st in singles, Jamie - 2nd, and Danny - 3rd. In Regional play, Danny was 1st and Harold 3rd. To watch these young men play tennis is a thrilling experience.

MICROBERS WIN ALL

The Microbe Tennis team, not wanting to let down the MBA tennis tradition, came through with a clean sweep in the Harpeth Valley Athletic Conference. In the Tournament, Fletcher Lance won the No. 1 Singles, Hunt Warner the No.2, and Garth Fails the No. 3. In Doubles, MBA was equally successful as Eric Roach and Alec McDougall won the No. 1 match with Stephen Young and Richard McMackin garnering the No. 2 match. All are the best in the HVAC.

MOORE AND BOWERS ARE ALL-STARS

Tom Moore and Ricky Bowers were selected as All-Stars for the Western Team in a June 1 East-West All-Star Baseball encounter.

FRESHMAN TRACK RUNS WELL

The Freshman Track team had a very successful season this spring. In dual meets, the team finished with a 3-3 record, with wins over Northside, Apollo, and Lipscombs, and narrow defeats to Overton, Bellevue, and Hawkins. In both the Olympic Trophy Invitational Track Meet (City Championship) and in the Clarksville Invitational Track Meet (Regional Meet), the team placed 2nd among 13 teams competing. The outstanding individuals on the team were Allen Moore in the Mile (4:35.9) and 880 (2:10.6), Brooks Corzine in the Pole Vault (11'), the High Jump (5'9½") and in the 120 Low Hurdles (15.5), David Maddux in the Shot Put (51' 5½") and in the Discus (131' 10") Chris Hines in the 880 (2:17.1), Steve Shankle in the Pole Vault (9' 6"), and Mark Robinson in the 120 Low Hurdles (15.7). The Mile Relay Team of Hardy Burch, Brooks Corzine, Terry Watterson, and Burton Anderson won the Mile Relay Championship in the Olympic Trophy Invitational Meet with a time of 3:47.1.

DERRYBERRY WINS SECOND PLACE IN STATE DECATHLON

Doug Derryberry completed his fourth year of competition in the TSSAA Decathlon in outstanding fashion with a second place finish in the TSSAA State Meet with a score of 7800 points. In the Region, Doug also placed second with a score of 7985. Doug's best performances included 6' 2" in the High Jump, 12' 0" in the Pole Vault, 51.8 in the 440, and a school record of 42' 10" in the Triple Jump. Doug's performances have resulted in increased interest in the Decathlon at MBA, and junior Mitchum Warren and freshman Brooks Corzine return to carry the school's banner next year.

ANAGNOS LETS FLY

Damon Anagnos, with adrenolin obviously flowing, threw the Discus 16 feet farther than his best distance in the Regional Track Meet, setting an MBA and Regional record of 164' 7". Damon broke the Regional record of 15 years' standing and the MBA record that had stood for 17 years!

GOLFERS HAVE FEW STROKES

The MBA Golf team, led by David Ingram, Tim Ford, David Williamson, and Wes Roberts, and ably supported by John Haley, Don Fairbairn, Tommy Duncan, and Chris Hannon, easily won the District and Regional Golf Tournaments. In the District, the team shot a combined score of 283, 5 under par, led by Tim Ford who had a 4 under par 68. Coach Fairbairn's boys, with the exception of Haley and Hannon, are returning next year, making the future very bright.

MICROBE BASEBALL HAS WINNING RECORD

The Microbe Baseball team finished its season with a 6-5 record, 6-4 in HVAC play. The HVAC record resulted in a 3rd-place finish in the Conference. The team offensive leaders were Scott Haley with a .483 batting average, 14 hits and 9 RBI's; Will Nowell with a .474 average, 18 hits, 19 RBI's, 21 runs scored and 3 homeruns; Brian Menke with a .391 average and 9 RBI's; Sterling Gray with a .375 average with 15 hits and 15 runs; John Morrissey with a .300 and 17 runs. Other .300 hitters w were Alan Jackxon .333 and Michael Parker .308. Nowell and Morrissey were the team's workhorse pitchers. Nowell posted a 3-3 record, striking out 74 in 40 innings; Morrissey's record was 2-1; Bobby Thompson was the winning pitcher in the team's other victory.